

REMARKS

Claims 1-5 and 7-15 are presented for examination. Claims 1 and 7 are currently amended. Claims 14 and 15 are new. Claim 6 is cancelled.

Claims 2, 4, 5 and 10-13 are allowed. Applicants thank the Examiner for allowance of these claims.

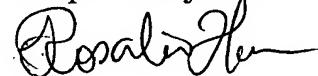
Claims 6 and 7 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Applicants again thank the Examiner, and have incorporated all the limitations of claim 6 into its base claim 1, which is now believed to be in condition for allowance. Claims 3, 8, and 9, all of which depend from claim 1, are likewise believed to be in condition for allowance based at least on the allowability of their base claim 1.

Claim 7 is likewise rewritten in independent form, and is believed to now be in condition for allowance.

New claim 14 is based on claim 6 in more concise form. Specifically, the movable rotor support member of claim 6 is moved to new dependent claim 15. It is believed that new claim 14 substantially recites the novel features of claim 6, and that claim 14 is thus believed to be in condition for allowance without introducing any new matter or necessitating any additional background consideration.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully request favorable reconsideration of the present application. Should the Examiner believe that issues remain outstanding, he/she is respectfully requested to contact applicants' undersigned attorney in an effort to resolve such issues and advance the case to issue.

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